

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): Apparatus for applying a chemical to rodents comprising an enclosure having at least one peripheral opening allowing entry of rodents into said enclosure, said enclosure including at least one ~~application~~ applicator arranged to contact rodents entering said ~~chamber enclosure~~, wherein the applicator comprises a flexible web suspended into said enclosure ~~and having said chemical on said flexible web, whereby said web contacts rodents passing thereunder, further wherein:~~

a) said web comprises a fabric,

b) said applicator includes an upper horizontal support member and said fabric suspended from said support member; and

c) said fabric includes at least one opening extending from an edge of said fabric opposite said horizontal support member, said opening having at least one dimension smaller than said rodents.

Claim 2 (canceled).

Claim 3 (canceled).

Claim 4 (currently amended): Apparatus as specified in claim ~~[[3]]~~ 1, wherein said fabric includes vertical slits ~~in said fabric, said slits~~ extending from an edge of said fabric opposite said horizontal support member.

Claim 5 (canceled).

Claim 6 (currently amended): Apparatus as specified in claim ~~[[5]]~~ 1, wherein said opening is a semicircular opening with a radius ~~small~~ smaller than the height of said rodents.

Claim 7 (currently amended): Apparatus as specified in claim ~~[[5]]~~ 1, wherein said opening is a triangular opening having a triangle base along said edge, said triangle base being smaller than the width of said rodent.

Claim 8 (currently amended): Apparatus as specified in claim 1, wherein said enclosure has a top wall, wherein there is a slot in said top wall, wherein said upper horizontal support member of said applicator ~~includes an elongated support member~~ is located on a top edge of said flexible web, said top edge of said flexible web being shorter than said slot and said support member being longer than said slot, whereby when said web is inserted into said slot, said support member engages said top wall and supports said web.

Claim 9 (currently amended): Apparatus as specified in claim 1, wherein said enclosure has a passageway, wherein said upper horizontal support member of said applicator ~~includes an elongated support member~~ is located on a top edge of said flexible web, wherein said ~~passage~~ passageway includes slots for receiving ends of said support member to support and suspend said web across said ~~passage~~ passageway.

Claim 10 (currently amended): Apparatus as specified in claim 1, wherein said enclosure has a passageway and said horizontal support member is ~~wherein there is provided~~ a support beam disposed across said passageway ~~for holding said applicator and wherein~~ so that said flexible web is suspended into said passageway ~~arranged to engage and be suspended from said support beam~~.

Claim 11 (currently amended): Apparatus as specified in claim 1, wherein said applicator has an adhesive strip along an upper edge for adhering to a top wall of said enclosure to suspend said web.

Claim 12 (new): Apparatus for applying a chemical to rodents comprising:

- (a) an enclosure having at least one peripheral opening allowing entry of rodents into said enclosure and at least one inner wall located inside said enclosure;
- (b) an inner chamber which is at least partially defined by said inner wall and which is accessed by an opening in said inner wall;
- (c) a passageway leading from said at least one peripheral opening to said opening in said inner wall; and
- (d) at least two applicators which are located between said at least one peripheral opening and said opening in said inner wall, wherein said applicators comprise a flexible web.

Claim 13 (new): Apparatus according to claim 12, comprising at least three applicators which are located between said at least one peripheral opening and said opening in said inner wall, wherein said applicators comprise a flexible web.

Claim 14 (new): Apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said rodent is a mouse.

Claim 15 (new): Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said rodent is a mouse.

Claim 16 (new): Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 17 (new): Apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 18 (new): Apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 19 (new): Apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 20 (new): Apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 21 (new): Apparatus according to claim 9, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 22 (new): Apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 23 (new): Apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 24 (new): Apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 25 (new): Apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 26 (new): Apparatus according to claim 14, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.

Claim 27 (new): Apparatus according to claim 15, wherein said apparatus further comprises a chemical that is disposed on said flexible web.